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4K5ZI, SNAKE ISLAND. RB5FF and others will activate 4Z5ZI from July 5 thru 25. Activity will be all bands/modes. The operators and others feel Snake Island should have separate DXCC country status, but for now it only counts as a Ukrainian contact. QSL via DF8BK.

4U, ITU HEADQUARTERS. Andy, DL4OK, will be leaving Liechtenstein to end his European tour at Geneva. Look for him signing 4U1ITU July 1 thru 4.

D2, ANGOLA. F6BLQ/D2 was reported on 14226 kHz around 2244z and 21262 kHz around 1643z. His name is Pat and he says his license is good for 20, 17 and 15 meters. He expects to be QRV until July 1. There is no word on his validity yet.

C9, MOZAMBIQUE. Paul, W8GI0, informs OPDX that he received a letter from Steve, C9RDM, stating the following: The club station C9TDM will be open on Tuesdays and Thursdays and the rig available from 1600 to 1800z. People at the club station are conducting ham classes on those days to aspire new hams. C9TDM has also been heard this past weekend on 21279 kHz starting around 1330z (going by call areas). Paul usually talks to Steve on 28480 khz (QSNs show 1400z). Also, another new station is active, C9RAJ (Oge who is Norwegian). Paul says expect to see more activity from C9-land.

D2ACA CARDS. Toly, UT3UY (QSL MGR for D2ACA) states the following: NORTH AMERICA - 90% of QSL were sent out before the Dayton Hamvention. Last QSL was mailed about 3 weeks ago. Some 300 QSLs are still in Bulgaria. These remaining cards will be answered in two weeks. ASIA: 90% are in the mail and all others will be mailed soon. EUROPE: All QSLs are ready and will be in the mail this week. The reason for the delay in mailing was that there were no stamps in the post offices in Ukraine. Also, some DX bulletins had the wrong QSL info. QSL D2ACA only to LZ2DF or UT3UY.

KH9, WAKE ISLAND. Jim Smith is currently active on 10, 15, 17, 20, 30, 40 and 80 meters. His length of stay is expected to be two weeks.

HAMS IN SPACE. Be looking for some activity from the Space Shuttle Columbia, STS-50, with astronauts signing W5RRR/S, W5RRR-1 (on packet radio) and KB5SIW. Voice uplink frequencies will be on 144.91, 144.93, 144.97 and the frequency of 145.55 for downlink. Packet frequencies will be 144.95 for uplink and 145.55 for downlink.

Gabriel, KP4BJD, informed OPDX he had a QSO (6/26) with Dick Richards,

KB5SIW, aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia. At the time of his QSO, Dick reported that they were flying at 300 kilometers of altitude and 980 km northeast of Puerto Rico. He also reported that the packet station is not running yet. CONGRATULATION to KP4BJD.

RTTY ACTIVITY FOR JUNE 19-28.

5N3ZIP	21082/0710z	EH92N	14085/1620z
6W1QB	21082/0713z	HL5BHH	21081/0937z
9M8ZZ	14080/1314z	UG6GG	14092/2118z
9Y4VU	21085/1743z	UO50IN	14088/2125z
AM2ATU	14086/1430z	VP8CBK	21090/1520z
AM292WC	14085/2201z	VR6BX	14084/1523z

VK9, COCOS-KEELING ISLANDS. VK9CB has bee active sporadically. He was reported to be active on RTTY on 14094 kHz at 1300z. Also, he show up with VK4UA (who takes a list) on 14187 kHz around 1140z. VK4UA states the operation by VK9CB will continue until July 3rd. The two try to keep a sked at that time each morning and try to work stations for 2 hours while propagation holds up. VK9CB will be going back to Cocos-Keeling for a longer period in Dec/Jan. QSL VK9CB via VK6LA.

DXAC VOTE RESULTS. The DXAC announced their results this week on three issues. The issue on making Ceuta and Melilla separate DXCC countries was voted down 16 to 0. The DXAC felt that Ceuta and Melilla are not a Point 1 country and for that reason Point 3(a) does not apply. The issue of deleteing Spralty Islands was voted down 15 to 0 with one abstention. The DXAC felt there was not enough evidence that Spratly falls under the DXCC rule Section III, (a) Annexation, to support the deletion. The last issue dealt with was deleteing Southern Sudan. The vote was 14 to 1 with one abstention. The DXAC felt there was not a sufficient sign of change, that Southern Sudan falls under the DXCC rule Section III, (b) Unification, to support the deletion.

DX TIDBITS..... FR5ZU/T QSL cards are arriving from the March 1992 Dxpedition.... JA2NQG, Mine, reports his March 1992 Maldives operation ended with 2321 contacts, mostly CW, including some on 160 and 6 meters. He also reports that he will return to Lord Howe Island in September (proposed date - 15 thru 22)..... For contacts made after Jaunary 1st 1992 with HS0AIT now go to W3HCW..... QSLs in the mail: 8Q7CW (Mar 92), F00CI (Mar 92), A61AC (Dec 91), 6Y5/K2BS (Jan 91) and WN4KKN/ZP5 (Nov 91).....

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